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#### **LEGAL NOTICE:**

Notice is hereby given that on or about 05/28/2018 the Knox County Housing Authority will submit a request to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of 2016, 2017, and 2018 capital funds in order to undertake the following project: new construction and modernization of existing residential units within the current Authority facilities in conformance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504) and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The Knox County Housing Authority has procured an Environmental Review Record (ERR) respecting the above-described project for which the release of funds is being sought. The environmental review records are on file at the Knox County Housing Authority Main Office located at 216 W. Simmons St. Galesburg, IL 61401 and are available for public examination and copying upon request between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Knox County Board. The Board, prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds, will consider all comments received on or before 05/27/2018. For further information regarding this notice, please contact Derek Antoine, Executive Director, at (309) 342-8129, ext. 223.

Respectfully,

Derek B. Antoine Executive Director

**Knox County Housing Authority** 

# NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

04/27/2018 Knox County Board 200 S. Cherry Street Galesburg, IL 61401 (309) 345-3815

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Knox County Housing Authority.

#### REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about May 29, 2018 the Knox County Board will authorize the Knox County Housing Authority to submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-Illinois Office of Public Housing for the release of Capital Fund Program funds under Section 9(d)(1) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, to undertake a project known as 504 Modifications-Phase 2-Scattered Sites for the purpose of constructing two 3-bedroom duplex buildings, one 4-bedroom duplex building, modify one 5-bedroom duplex building and site improvements all of which will be fully accessible to the physically handicapped per the Section 504 requirement under 24 CFR 8.22 and 8.23, utilizing Capital Funds from 2016, 2017 and 2018 grants, in Galesburg, Illinois.

#### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Knox County Board has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Knox County Housing Authority and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M to 4:30 P.M.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Knox County Clerk's Office. All comments received by May 12, 2018 will be considered by the Knox County Board prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The Knox County Board certifies to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-Illinois Office of Public Housing that Pamela Davidson in her capacity as County Board Chair consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-Illinois Office of Public

Housing's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Knox County Housing Authority to use Program funds.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-Illinois Office of Public Housing will accept objections to its release of fund and the Knox County Board's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Knox County Board; (b) the Knox County Board has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-Illinois Office of Public Housing; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Daniel Sherrod, Director of Illinois Office of Public Housing at 77 W. Jackson Blvd, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60604. Potential objectors should contact U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-Illinois Office of Public Housing to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Pamela Davidson, County Board Chair